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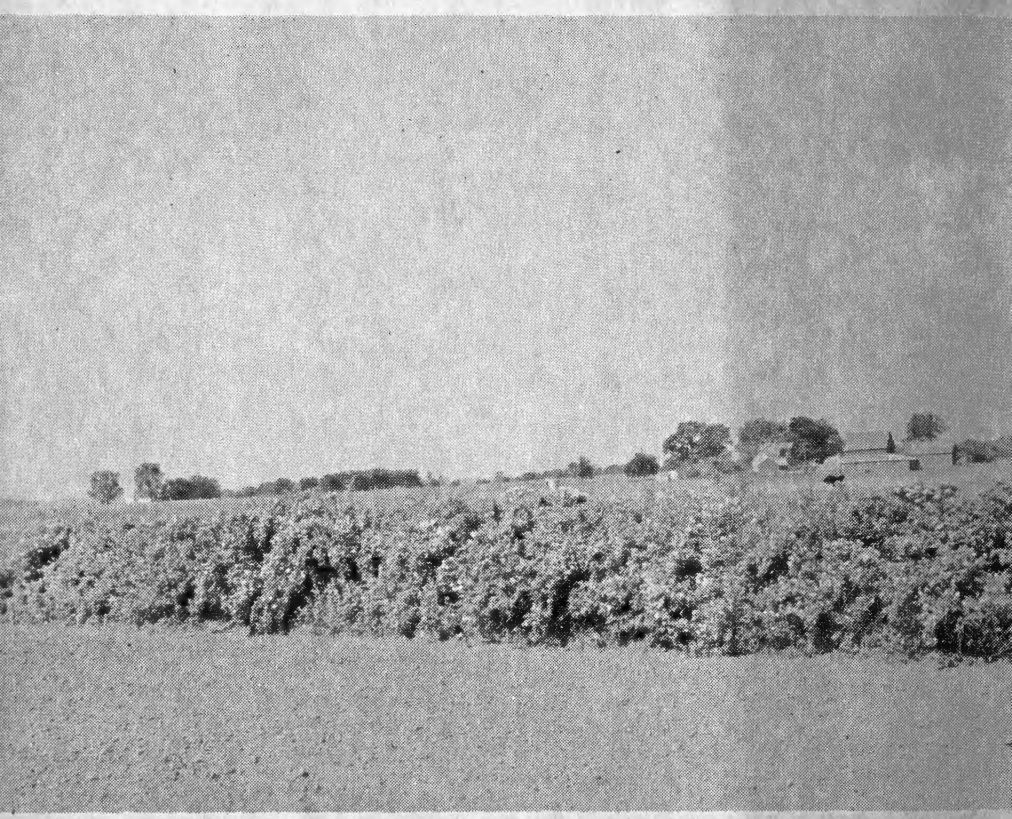
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# Multiflora Rose



## THE MODERN

## LIVING FENCE

# *Farmland Multiflora*

## **Multiflora Rose**

Is the new-type living fence developed by the U. S. Soil Conservation Service. Although used by nurserymen as root stock for grafted ornamental roses for years, it has only recently been used to create practical living fence.

## **Multiflora Rose**

Makes a stock-tight living fence in three to five years. How fast it grows depends upon the quality of the stock you plant, the fertility of the soil, how well you plant it, and how well you keep down weed competition for the first two years after planting.

## **Multiflora Rose**

When full grown makes a living fence six to eight feet tall and as many feet wide. Your plantings will reach their maximum growth in seven or eight years. At this time they will form a solid wall which does not grow any higher or taller, and through which livestock cannot pass.

## **Multiflora Rose**

Does not spread by suckering. This means that the roots will not send up any new plants into your pastures and adjacent fields. The Soil Conservation Service says: "... in 12 years of observation there is no record of its becoming a nuisance. It can honestly be said that spreading is not a problem."

## **Multiflora Rose**

Will stop cattle because it is armed with a multitude of sharp thorns. The Soil Conservation Service reports: "When planted about 18 inches apart at Elsberry, Missouri, it turned horses, cows, sheep, goats, and hogs that had been ringed."

## **Multiflora Rose**

Flowers fragrantly and abundantly in spring. These flowers mature into bright red clumps of berries which persist throughout the winter months.

## **Multiflora Rose**

Attracts wildlife, because it offers both food and cover for game birds, mammals, and insect-eating song birds.



Courtesy of Farm Quarterly Magazine

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# *Modern Living Fence*

## What Multiflora Rose Will Do for You

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- Give you a practical and effective fence at a fraction of the cost of a wire fence.
- Give you a fence that requires no maintenance.
- Give you a fence that does not injure livestock.
- Give trespass protection to your farm.
- Give windbreak protection to your crops and fields, and conserve both soil and moisture.
- Give your farm cover for game and insect-eating song birds.
- Give your farm a new appearance which will make it a more attractive place to work and live.

# HOW TO PLANT

## When

Planting may be done in the spring as early as the ground may be worked, and while the stock is still dormant. Fall planting has the advantage of giving the plants an early start in the spring, but requires mulching to prevent heaving during the winter months. Fall planting should be done after killing frost.

## Preparation

Plow and disc the site the summer before planting. Four furrows is an effective width. Use the disc again if any weeds are present before planting.

## Machine Planting

For speed, and uniformity in large plantings, we recommend our custom, machine planting on a prepared site.

## Hand Planting

Use a tiling spade to open up a slit in the ground 7 to 8 inches deep. Remove the spade and place the seedling in the slit with the root crown even with the soil surface and the roots fully extended. Insert the spade in the ground just back of the seedling and bring the handle toward you, packing the seedling in tight. Close this opening with the heel.

## Plow Planting

Plow a furrow on the ridge of the back furrow on your prepared site. Set your plants in the new furrow at the desired spacing and plow another furrow, covering the roots. Pack the seedlings in by running the tractor tire next to them.

## Care

Protect seedling from grazing livestock with a temporary fence, if necessary, until established. Keep down weed competition by mulching with straw, strawy manure, or ground corn cobs. Fertilizing may be necessary in soil with low nitrogen content.

## Remember to:

- Prepare the site properly.
- Plant the stock correctly.
- Give your planting adequate care.



## SIZES AND GRADES

### of Farmland Multiflora Rose

For your convenience, Farmland Multiflora Rose is hand selected and graded into several sizes. The size is determined by the diameter of the root crown. In general, the larger size seedlings, if properly planted, will make the best initial growth. All seedlings, regardless of size, will produce satisfactory results if well planted and tended. Stems of all plants are pruned to a length of 8 to 10 inches before shipment.

#### Prices per Thousand

*Conservation grade, 1/8" & above*  
~~Select Extra Large (Root Crown over 1/4 inch) ..... \$34.00 or~~  
~~Large (Root Crown apprx. 1/4 inch) ..... \$4.00 per~~  
~~Standard (Root Crown under 1/4 inch) ..... hundred~~

Prices in quantities of ten thousand or more upon request.

All prices are F.O.B. nursery and include cost of packing. Prices subject to change without notice.

Shipment can be made in the fall, beginning in October, or the following spring.

Whether or not you plant in the fall, we recommend that you specify fall delivery and heel-in the stock according to our directions. In this way you will be certain to have stock on hand when spring weather conditions permit planting.

#### Terms:

*Spring 1952*

Deposit of 20% at time of order, balance upon shipment.

## Farmland Improvement Company

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